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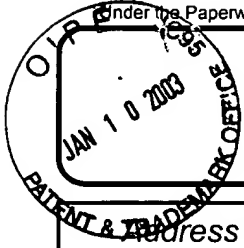
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This is a request for a ☒ Continuation or ☐ divisional application under 37 CFR § 1.53(d).
(continued prosecution application (CPA)) of prior application number **09/514,762**, filed on
02/28/2000, entitled **Double Sided Flexible Circuit For Integrated Circuit Packages And Method
of Manufacture**.

NOTES

FILING QUALIFICATIONS: The prior application identified above must be a nonprovisional application that is either: (1) complete as defined by 37 C.F.R. § 1.51(b), or (2) the national stage of an international application in compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371. A Notice will be placed on a patent issuing from a CPA, except for reissues and designs, to the effect that the patent issued on a CPA and is subject to the twenty-year patent term provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 154(a)(2). Therefore, the prior application of a CPA may have been filed before, on or after June 8, 1995.

C-I-P NOT PERMITTED: A continuation-in-part application cannot be filed as a CPA under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d), but must be filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b).

EXPRESS ABANDONMENT OF PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA is a request to expressly abandon the prior application as of the filing date of the request for a CPA. 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) must be used to file a continuation, divisional, or continuation-in-part of an application that is not to be abandoned.

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1. ☒ Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on **January 10, 2003** under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 in the prior nonprovisional application.
2. ☐ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
3. This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d)(4).
 - a. ☐ **DELETE** the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:
 - b. ☐ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
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 - a. ☐ PTO-1449
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b. ☐ A small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is still proper and desired.
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In re the Application of:

Abbott, et al.

Serial No.: 09/514,762

Filed: 02/28/00

For: Double Sided Flexible Circuit for Integrated Circuit Packages and Method of Manufacture

Docket No.: TI-26709

Examiner: Chang, R. K.

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Amendment under 37 CFR 1.116

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Elizabeth Austin

The following amendments and remarks are offered in response to the Examiner's Office Action dated 09/11/02. They are respectfully submitted as a full and complete response to that Action. A petition for a one month extension under 37 CFR 1.136(a) accompanies this response. Any further necessary extension of time is hereby requested. The Commissioner is authorized and is hereby requested to charges any and all fees to the deposit account of Texas Instruments Incorporated, Account No. 20-0668.

Please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

In the Specification, please delete the Abstract and insert the following: